State of Orissa during the last three years;

(b) how many of them were for setting up industries in the areas of Adivasis;

(c) how many of the applications were cleared during the same period; and

(d) how many of the applications were rejected, indicating reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) During the years 1984, 1985 and 1986; 63, 47 and 54 Industrial Licence applications were received respectively under the provisions of Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951 for the setting up of industries in the State of Orissa. Of these, 26, 22 and 28 applications for the years 1984, 1985 and 1986 respectively were for locations in Centrally declared backward areas.

(c) As on 29-7-87, in respect of applications received during the years 1984, 1985 and 1986; 27, 24 and 15 Letters of Intent were issued respectively.

(d) As on 29.7.87, in respect of applications received during the years 1984, 1985 and 1986; 36,23 and 38 were respectively rejected/disposed off. Various techno-economic factors such as demand and supply, export potential, availability of raw materials, locational constraints, viability of the scheme and policy considerations are taken into account while approving or rejecting an Industrial Licence application. Grounds of rejection vary from case to case and are duly communicated to the applicants as well as to the State Governments concerned.

"No Industry Districts" in Orissa

948. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of 'No Industry Districts' identified so far in Orissa;

(b) the measures proposed for development of such districts; and

(c) the name of Adivasi districts included in the 'No Industry Districts' lists with details of the project outlay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Balasore, Phulbani and Bolangir are the three No Industry Districts identified in the State of Orissa. The names of other No Indusry Districts including backward areas and measures proposed for development of such Districts/Areas are given in the Booklet on 'Incentives for Industries in backward Areas', (updated upto October 1986) copies of which are available in Parliament Library. Details of Project outlays are not maintained Centrally.

Scope of Khadi and Village Industries Commission

949. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to widen the scope of the activities of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) what are the names and details of new items introduced and covered in these industries during the last 3 years;

(d) what incentives have been provided to the village industries by Central Government and the States through the Commission or other agencies; and

(e) what was the total production from the village industry in Gujarat during the last 3 years, yearwise, and what facilities and amount of money have been given to Gujarat for the village industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is attached. (*See* below).

(c) Manufacture of Rubber goods (Dipped Latex Products) Industry has been added to the schedule of Village Industries under the purview of Khadi and Village Industries Commission.

(d) For the development of village industries, the Government of India provides financial assistance for working capital and capital expenditure at concessional rate of interest. Loans for the village industries carry an interest of 4 per cent. Further, interest subsidy is also provided on the bank finance to cover the difference between the rate of interest charged on the loans to Khadi industries by the KVIC and the Banks. A more liberalised pattern of assistance is drafted for identified hill, border and tribal areas and for SC & ST where grant element in capital expenditure is as high as 75 per cent. Some State Governments have also extended sale tax exemption to the village industries products.

(e) During the last three years, production of village industries in Gujarat under the purview of Khadi and Village Industries Commission and the funds disbursed to them are as follows:—

Year	Production in vlaue (Rs. in crores)	Funds disbursed (Rs. in crores)		
		Grant	Loan	Total
1983-84	33.94	0·19	1·40	1·59
1984-85	27.62	0 01	0.77	0·78
1985-86	36.38	0.08	0.64	0·72

Statement

The Khadi and Village Industries Commission Act, 1956 has been amended recently. According to the amended Act, the village industry is now redefined to mean 'any industry located in a rural area the population of which does not exceed ten thousand or such other figure as the Central Government may specify from time to time, which produce any goods or renders any services with or without the use of power and in which the fixed capital investment per head of an artisan or a worker does not exceed fifteen thousand rupees and such other sum, as may, by notification in the official gazette, be specified from time to time by the Central Government. The reconstituted Commission as per the amended Act, as against five members earlier, will have ten members including six members representing the six geographical zones, two experts in science and technology, economics, rural industries or technical education and training and two ex-officio members *i.e.* the Chief Executive Officer and the Financial Adviser of the Commission who will not have the right to vote. The new Commission will have a term of five years as against three years earlier.

Proposal to Link Wage Revisions in Public Sector Units with Productivity

950. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to link the future wage revisions in the public sector units with productivity;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received charter of demands, memoranda, etc., from various Trade Unions in the matter during the period 1st January, 1985 to 15th July, 1987; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and the action taken thereon and the outcome thereof, and whether Government